GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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POLLUTION IN DAMODAR RIVER
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any separate scheme for abatement of pollution of the river Damodar (Ganga Basin) for four towns in the Burdwan district in West Bengal has been prepared and financial approval accorded;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and (

(c) the time by which the scheme is likely to be implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) to (c) A scheme of pollution abatement of river Damodar in four towns, namely, Andal, Asansol, Durgapur and Raniganj was approved by Government in October 1996 at a cost of Rs. 12.19 crore. The scheme includes such works as interception & diversion of sewage, sewage treatment plants, low cost toilets and crematoria. The work on the scheme has not begun yet due to low priority given by the State Government to this plan.